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HIROSHI MIURA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: AGUSTIN, P. V.
SERIAL NO: 09/902,699 :
FILED: JULY 12, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2652
FOR: INFORMATION RECORDING :
AND/OR REPRODUCING APPARATUS,
INFORMATION RECORDING AND/OR
REPRODUCING METHOD, AND PHASE-
CHANGE RECORDING MEDIUM FOR
USE IN THE APPARATUS AND THE
METHODS

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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.